



THE HARBOUR LIGHT



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EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER

BOARD MEETING: 03 SEPTEMBER

7:00 P.M at Community Center

MEMBERSHIP MEETING: 10 SEPTEMBER

At the Community Center on Mill Creek Rd.

7:30 PM: Doors Open Early - Come Help Set Up.

7:45 PM: Meeting Starts With Club Business:

- Committee Reports
- Fluke FOM Award
- Club Business
- 8:00 pm Guest Speaker Jim Hutchinson Sr. & Jim Jr. Striper Fishing With Clams
- All-Present Fishing Discussion Break

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Bill Logan

Usually I am searching for things to write about for this president message, but I find that the longer my term goes on the more I find to talk about, there is more to say than there is room for here. Where do I start; should I talk about the dinner dance, how about our dynamic August speaker DJ Muller, or how about our speakers for September the Hutchinson's Jr, & Sr, sure, but first let's talk about what a great time was had at our annual dinner dance. Ed Wetmore again came thru with flying colors.

So here it goes, **DINNER DANCE**; if you didn't attend our annual dinner dance you missed a great time, a beautiful setting at Ocean Acers Country Club right here in Manahawkin. A fantastic meal selection and the quality of the food goes a long with great music by DJ Brown, I can't say enough about the terrific job Ed Wetmore did putting this together. He is a real team player as are Ray & Flo Williams for donating the table center pieces again this year.

Our August speaker was **DJ Muller Surfcaster, Surf Guide & Author**. Besides being one of our most interesting speakers, he also has some great fishing books, they are as follows:

The Surfcaster's Guide to Striper Coast, Striper Strategies, and Striper Tales.

DJ gave us a lot of insider information on how to surf fish for Stripers, I am not going to list the tips that he gave us, as they say you should have been there, as he was awesome. DJ stayed for the remainder of our meeting and during our refreshment break spoke with a lot of our club members about Striper fishing giving them more information.

September speakers are **Jim Hutchinson Jr & Jim Hutchinson Sr.** This will be one of our greatest nights this year. The wealth of fishing knowledge both of these men have is fantastic. Jim Jr. is President of the RFA and will share with us the latest information on what is happening with the fishing regulations present and past. Jim Sr. will share with us his knowledge of local fishing. It should be and will be another great evening.

I want to thank everyone for the support they gave me this year, starting with Vince Sibona to Tom & Jim Story who prepare our refreshments at every meeting, and to the many others who come early and help set up the meeting room; there are way too many to list here. They know who they are and I am grateful. They made it so easy for me to fulfill my duties as President. I have always said that a man is only as strong as the people behind him and I have had the best board of directors any one could ask for. This will be my last message as President; our By-Laws state that the Presidency change should take place at the November Board Meeting, but due to personal commitments I will be passing the President's gavel on to Vince Sibona at the end of

our September Board Meeting. September's general membership meeting will be my last meeting as President; Vince will take over from then on.

Remember, it takes everyone doing something to make anything happen. I'd like to give a special thanks to my wife Arleen for all of her help this year.

Thank You and God Willing I will see you all in April of 2011.

2010 TROPHY FISH OF THE YEAR AS OF 06/02 BY John Kleban

Blackfish		
Bluefish	17 lbs. 7 oz.	Phil Savarese
Fluke	8.80 lbs.	Russell Denton
Sea Bass	2.81 lbs.	Tom Malone
Striped Bass	37 lbs.	Larry Leary
Weakfish		
W. Flounder	1.76 lbs.	Vince Sibona

Congratulations to all those listed above.

Please weigh in your fish at our weigh in stations.

2010 TROPHY FISH OF THE YEAR PROGRAM by John Kleban

The same seven species will continue for our 2010 Trophy Fish of the Year Program.

Blackfish
Bluefish
Fluke
Sea Bass
Striped Bass
Weakfish
Winter Flounder

The rules are simple: you have to catch a fish of the above species, take it to one of our official weigh stations to have it weighed and recorded on our official weigh-in forms. If you have weighed in the largest fish of a particular species for the calendar year 2010, then you win the FOY trophy for that species. Note: your dues have to be paid before you catch an eligible fish.

2010 FISH OF THE MONTH AWARDS by John Kleban

The award for Fluke will be announced at the September General Membership meeting.

2010 FISH OF THE MONTH AND FISH OF THE YEAR AWARDS by John Kleban

Due to changes in New Jersey Fishing Regs, there are changes in the 2010 Trophy Fish of the Month Program:

March & April	Winter Flounder
May	Striped Bass
June	Fluke
July	Bluefish
August	Fluke
September	Sea Bass & Weakfish
October/November	Striped Bass & Bluefish

Fish of the Year & Month standings are recapped and updated on our website frequently. Click on the site to get current standings.

VHFC T- SHIRTS AVAILABLE by Vince Sibona
 VHFC T- shirts will be available at all meetings. The cost is \$18. Please see Vince to purchase yours while supplies last. T shirts may also be purchased by mail. Please send a check for \$23 which includes shipping to: VHFC, P.O. Box 1026, Manahawkin, NJ 08050. These shirts are very nice & are being sold at cost.

Boat US Newsletter Link & INFO by Jeff Orsoe

Here is the link to the Boat/US coop Group Quarterly newsletter for distribution to the VHFC Membership.

If you are establishing or renewing a towing plan with Boat US, please contact me for the code for saving money when registering with Boat US. We do not post this code in the newsletter as it would be available for nonmember use.

If you have any questions, I can be contacted via email or cell at 732-672-5530

<http://smtp.boatus.net/dm?id=B75B49E2171D51E48FEC59C7A89A692D>

FISHING REPORT by Jeff Barnhart

A couple weeks after boating a 67 and an 87 pound yellow fin, "Tuna Slayers" Jeff Barnhart and Bob Percopo headed out to the Spencer on Sunday August 8th with Don Tepfer and Chris Tavares aboard Bob's 33 Hydrasport "No Limits". Leaving the dock at 2:00 am and running into head seas all the way out, the No Limits team set up at 7:30 am in 79 degree blue water with a nine rod spread – five rods with rigged ballyhoo and four with artificial lures. At 10:05 the way way back center rod went off and a nice 40

pound long fin was boated. About an hour later, the same rod went off and this time there was a nice white marlin on the line which was safely released at the boat. The excitement really began at 12:50 as three rods went off at the same time resulting in the boating of three additional long fin up to 50 pounds. It was a great day on the water for the “No Limits” fishing team and a smooth ride back with a nice following sea. All but one tuna hook up was on rigged bally.



(Left to right) No Limits Fishing team members Don Tepfer, Bob Percopo, Jeff Barnhart and Chris Tavares with the four long fin tuna they caught at the Spencer on Sunday

POKER CHIP DRAWING UPDATE by John Henson

Each month, we will draw the name of a member at our meeting. If you are present you will win \$10. If the winner is not present, the next month the prize amount increases by \$10.

AUGUST SPEAKER RECAP By Ray Williams

DJ Mueller, noted fisherman & author of several Striper fishing books spoke to VHFC members about fishing with artificials for stripers. DJ shared his favorite rigs with us & answered questions from the audience. Afterwards he autographed his books for

VHFC members. If you haven't been coming to our meetings you have missed a great education on fishing here in our local waters.



Author & Fishing Expert DJ Mueller speaks to VHFC Members



Bob Dodd Gets His Book Signed by the Author



2010 President Bill Logan Confers with Incoming 2011 President Vince Sibona



Ok, I'm sure Someone Said "Eyes Right on the Count of 3"!

AUGUST DINNER DANCE RECAP by Ed Wetmore

The 2010 annual Dinner Dance was a great success. Our attendance was down slightly from last year but everyone who attended had a great time. The food was delicious, the DJ played some great 50's music & several line dances, and we all enjoyed spending time with our spouses catching up on our busy lives. We are looking from input from our members on what changes can be made to improve attendance next year. I don't think it is the price. Where else can you get a complete dinner with dessert and dancing for less than \$34 including tips and taxes? We

are open to all suggestions such as changing the day or month of the dinner. One possibility is to move the dance to September when some of the summer activities are over. Please let us know your thoughts on improving this annual event!



Dinner at Sunset!



You Guys Really Found Some Nice Looking Women to Dine With!



More Happy Couples!



Ray is Happy 'Cause He Sees the Melon Appetizer Coming!



Just One More Picture Before Dinner Please!



Slow Dances Always Bring Out The Couples!



Skip & Ed with Their Lovely wives!



Fast Dances Bring Out the Good Dancers!

MONTHLY HANDS ON by John Henson
We will have the Hands On table at every meeting.
Let me know if you want to help out or just stop by if you have any fishing questions.

CLASSIFIED ADS by Ray Williams

Classified ads may be placed free of charge by any club member for non-commercial fishing related items. Please contact me at 978-1480 if you wish to place a free ad. Please contact me if you wish to renew an ad from last year.

FISHING WITH CLUB MEMBERS

Members may place free ads in this section if you wish to find someone to fish with. Maybe you need to find someone with a boat or you are interested in finding someone to share expenses on your boat. Contact Ray Williams at 978-1480 to place your ad.

Ads from last year need to be renewed for this year!

NEW AD!

Sal Messina, a member is looking for members to go fishing on his boat with him. Members do not need to share expenses, just buy the bait & help clean the boat & fish when returning from fishing. **Please call Sal at 609-597-9160 on Fridays, Saturdays, or Sundays.**

HELP WANTED AT MEETINGS BY Ray Williams

Your Board is asking for some help at the monthly meetings. We are in need of someone to greet our members as they arrive & take attendance. In addition, we need someone to help with refreshments. If you can help, please see me.

SEPTEMBER VHFC TOURNAMENT DAYS by John Henson

Upcoming VHFC Tournament----September
The next VHFC tournament is scheduled to be a 2 day tournament for Fluke and here are the parameters--

Sponsor.....Fisherman’s Headquarters
280 W 9th St, Ship Bottom
609 494 5739
Species.....Fluke (Summer Flounder)
Dates.....September 4&5
Prizes.....1st \$25 Fisherman’s Headquarters
Gift Certificate

2nd \$15 Fisherman’s Headquarters
Gift Certificate
3rd \$10 Fisherman’s Headquarters
Gift Certificate
All fish **MUST** be weighed in at Fisherman’s Headquarters **DURING** normal business hours.

UPDATED 2010 REGULATIONS by Dave Sikorski

2010 NJ Saltwater Regulations

Fluke: 6 fish, 18” minimum, open May 29 through Sept 6
Weakfish: 1 fish, 13” minimum, open all year
*Sea Bass: 25 fish, 12.5” minimum, open May 22 – Sept 12
*Efforts in play for a split season; we will let you know if this is successful
Please visit our website at www.vhfclub.com and click on the “Regulations” button for more information.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT CLUB SPONSOR DISCOUNTS by Ray Williams

As a VHFC club member you are entitled to discounts from our Sponsors. Please note that these discounts cannot be used in combination with any other discounts. As an example, if a sponsor offers 10% off on bait & tackle, please don’t ask for an additional discount. Our sponsors offer these discounts as a courtesy to our members, please understand that they are businesses & are attempting to make a profit in a very difficult economy.

VILLAGE HARBOUR FISHING CLUB, INC.
2010 Form for Member Renewals and New Applications
MAIL COMPETED FORMS WITH DUES (Checks only) FOR \$35.00 PAYABLE TO "VHFC" TO:
VHFC MEMBERSHIP
PO BOX 1026
MANAHAWKIN, NJ 08050
Dues for renewals are due by May 14, 2010

Print Name*: _____ Member #: _____ Nickname: _____

Signature*: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Note: Both * items must be completed

Renewals: Please insert any changes from 2009 Membership list.

New Applicants: Please complete the following:

Name of Spouse:	Shore Address:
Principle Address:	(complete if different from Principle Address)
City/St/Zip:	City/St/Zip:
Phone:	Phone:
Fax:	Fax:
E-Mail:	E-Mail:

Would you like to get your newsletter by email? Circle Yes or No A yes will save the club printing & mailing costs.

Boat Owners, please complete the following:

Print Name of Boat: _____ Length (ft.): _____

VILLAGE HARBOUR FISHING CLUB, INC.
2010 Form for Junior Angler Renewals and New Applications
MAIL COMPETED FORMS WITH DUES (Checks only) FOR \$10.00 PAYABLE TO "VHFC" TO:
VHFC JUNIOR ANGLER
PO BOX 1026
MANAHAWKIN, NJ 08050
Dues for renewals are due by May 14, 2010

Note: All 5 * items must be completed.

APPLICANT: Please complete the following each year (one sheet per Junior Angler)

Name*:	Member #:	Nick Name:
Signature:	Junior Angler's E-Mail:	
Home Address:	Home Phone:	

Would you like to get your newsletter by email? Circle Yes or No A yes will save the club printing & mailing costs.

SPONSOR: Please complete the following:

SPONSOR MEMBER'S INFORMATION (ALL ARE REQUIRED EACH YEAR)	
By completing the following, the Sponsor takes full responsibility to accompany and supervise the applicant's behavior and ensure the applicant's well being during and en route to and from any club activity or event and further certifies possession of the legal authority to do so. Further, the sponsor affirms this applicant will not reach 18 years of age on or before May 14, 2010.	
Sponsor's Name*:	Sponsor's Member #:
Sponsor's Signature*:	Date*: ____ / ____ / ____
Relation to Applicant*:	

Junior Angler Boat Owners, please complete the following:

Print Name of Boat: _____ Length (ft.): _____

2010 Village Harbour Fishing Club, Inc. Meeting and Events Schedule (Revised 9/1/10)

<p>April 09 2010 Fish of the Month: Winter Flounder 7:45 APRIL 10: > Club business > 2009 Awards Presentations for 7 "Trophy Fish of the Year" & for the Oct & Nov Fish of the Month > Intro - North Bay Fleet Outing > All Present - Fishing Discussion Speaker: Capt. Fran Verdi of Fish the Drop Off charter service will talk on local spring fishing for stripers and bluefish.</p>	<p>May 14 2010 -DUES ARE DUE BY MAY 14- Fish of the Month: STRIPED BASS 7:45 MAY 08: > W. Flounder FOM Award > Update - North Bay Fleet Outing > Capt. Melanie Boytos Award Presentation Speaker: Capt. Al Zlata of A to Z charters in Barnegat will speak on light tackle and fly fishing with artificials in the bay. > Club business</p>	<p>Check Newsletter & Website for Upcoming Tournament Days!</p>
<p>JUNE 11 2010 Fish of the Month: FLUKE 7:45 June 12: > Club business > Striped Bass Fish of the Month Award > Speakers: Bill Figley retired director of the state's offshore reef program will talk on inshore light tackle fishing for sharks</p>	<p>ANNUAL DINNER DANCE OUR ANNUAL DINNER DANCE WILL BE AUGUST 21ST. SIGN-UP FORM IS IN THIS ISSUE!!</p>	<p>JULY 09 2010 Fish of the Month: BLUEFISH 7:45 July 10: > Club Business > Fluke Fish of the Month Award > Club Fishing Forum > Intro to VHFC Dinner > All Present - Fishing Discussion > Speaker: Jim Hutchinson "What to do with that leftover fish in your freezer!"</p>
<p>July 14th & 15th Tournament Days sponsored by American Sportsman Species.....Fluke & Bluefish Combined Prizes.....1st \$25 American Sportsman Gift Certificate 2nd \$15 American Sportsman Gift Certificate 3rd \$10 American Sportsman Gift Certificate</p>	<p>AUGUST 13 2010 Fish of the Month: FLUKE 7:45 Aug. 14: > Club business > Fish of the Month Award > All-Present - Fishing Discussion Speaker: DJ Mueller "Artificial Persuasion: The Magic of Fishing with Artificials"</p>	<p>September 4th & 5th Tournament Days sponsored by Fisherman's Headquarters Species.....Fluke Prizes.....1st \$25 Fisherman's HQ Gift Certificate 2nd \$15 Fisherman's HQ Gift Certificate 3rd \$10 Fisherman's HQ Gift Certificate</p>
<p>SEPTEMBER 10 2010 Fish of the Month: SEA BASS & WEAKFISH 7:45 Sept. 11: > Club business > Fluke Fish of the Month Award > Report VHFC Dinner Dance > All-Present - Fishing Discussion > Speakers: Jim Hutchinson Sr. & Jr.</p>	<p>October 08 2010 Fish of the Month: Striped Bass & Bluefish 7:45 Oct. 09: > Sept. Fish of the Month Award > All Present - Fishing Discussion > Speaker: TBA</p>	<p>NOVEMBER 12 2010 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN NOVEMBER. 7:45 NOV 13 ALL PRESENT- FISHING DISCUSSION NO SPEAKER INTRO TO NEW OFFICERS FOR 2011</p>

Monthly meetings are 2nd Fridays starting promptly at 7:45 PM. Doors open at 7:30 – Come early and help us get set up.

No Membership Meetings are planned for the months of December through March.

BRAND NEW WEBSITE by John Kleban

We have a brand new website that is updated frequently! Please visit us & at <http://www.vhfclub.com/> & send us your feedback at VHFCreports@verizon.net



Where was This Picture Taken? "Hint, that is not the Barnegat Lighthouse in the background!"



Remember When We Used To Catch Nice Weakfish?

VILLAGE HARBOUR FISHING CLUB, INC. 2010 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Officers:

President	Bill Logan (597-0784)
1 st Vice President	Vince Sibona (597-6162)
2 nd Vice President	Open
Treasurer	Joe Filice (215-256-8707)
Secretary	Charlie Daddona (954-4965)

Trustees

Sergeant at Arms	Vince Sibona (597-6162)
Weigh Master/Awards	John Kleban (597-4852)
Recruiting	Vince Sibona (597-6162)
Membership Data Base	Ray Williams (978-1480)
Guest Speakers	Bill Dabney (978-6893)
Immediate Past Pres.	John Henson (978-0312)
Communications	Dave Sikorski

Newsletter	Ray Williams (978-1480)
Library	Bill Dabney (978-6893)
Library Alternate	John Henson (978-0312)
Sponsors	John Henson (978-0312)
Sergeant at Arms (Board)	Vince Sibona (597-6162)
Attendance	Daryl Janzer 267-307-4574
Website	John Kleban (597-4852)

Vessel Safety	Ed Wetmore (294-6956)
JCAA/Regulations	Dave Sikorski (978-0437)
Fishing Hands On	John Henson (978-0312)
Board Member	Ritchie Webb (294-9438)

All Past Presidents, not listed above, are non-voting Board members.

**The following have offered a discount with the presentation of current VHFC Membership Card
Discounts normally do not apply to items that are fair traded or items on sale**

<p>FISHERMAN'S HEADQUARTERS Causeway, Ship Bottom, NJ 494-5739 10% discount on bait & tackle</p>	<p>BOAT U.S. VHFC members only pay \$9.50 for a year of Boat U.S. Forms for members' use will be at VHFC meetings Or call Jeff Orsoe 494-6415</p>	<p>L&H Woods & Water 403 Route 9 Waretown 242-1812 10% off any purchase</p>
<p>THE CHUM BUCKET BAIT & TACKLE 381 Rte. 9, West Creek, NJ 294-2500 10% discount on purchases of \$10 or more</p>	<p>CAUSEWAY BOAT RENTALS On the LBI Causeway 494-1371 10% discount on bait and tackle.</p>	<p>GALLIVANT GRAPHICS BOAT LETTERING We come to you ---- 10% off for members 609-812-9883</p>
<p>AMERICAN SPORTSMAN BAIT & TACKLE Mill Creek Plaza 597-4104 10% discount on bait & tackle</p>	<p>THE BOAT SHOP 756 E. Bay Ave., Manahawkin, NJ 597-1271 10% discount on regular prices www.theboatshoponline.com</p>	<p>BARNEGAT LIGHT BAIT & TACKLE Bay Avenue & 15th St., Barnegat Lt. 494-4566 10% discount on bait & tackle</p>
<p>BRASWELL TROPHY & ENGRAVING Ken Braswell, Owner 618-1744 10% Discount to VHFC Members</p>	<p>OCEANSIDE BAIT & TACKLE 8201 Long Beach Boulevard Brighton Beach, NJ. 08008 609-361-9800 10% off any purchase</p>	<p>WEST CREEK KAYAK & CANOE 224 Main St., West Creek 296-3030 10% off Accessories</p>

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